

# Governor Carter's Farewell Address

Thanks Those Who Aided Him During His Term.

"It is now almost four years since, in this very hall, under this historic canopy and on this very platform, trembling with fear, I read to an audience representing the people of Hawaii the few thoughts which occurred to my mind bearing on the responsibilities I was then about to assume. Some of you may remember I then said, that often when wrong I would be thought right and when right would be thought wrong. Actual experience demonstrates that this process is going on all the time, due to the differences in temperament, in disposition, and in the point of view of the individuals.

"Today, when relieved of the grave responsibility of directing and controlling your affairs, I am glad to be able to say that my promise, not to spare myself in your interests, has been kept. I am not conscious of having shirked that which appeared to me to be in the interest of the whole, no matter how disagreeable or at what personal cost of comfort or friendship. To me, the period seems one continued struggle to accomplish by a vivid recognition of the meagerness of the results.

"Our civilization has not yet produced a perfect form of government for any community, and slight practical experience on the part of anyone will demonstrate that effectiveness is hampered by precedents and restrictions; that public officials are often obliged to adopt an impractical course, lacking in common sense and extravagant in most, the only other alternative being to abandon the object sought. It has been well said that a popular form of government is a most expensive luxury.

"If the Territory is to gain by experience, there are a few incidents of the past which it will be well for the public to consider calmly, and I cannot feel that I have done my full duty by you if I do not at this time call your attention to them and ask you to give them your close and unbiased study.

"First: Senate's Power of Approval and Removal.—At the time of taking office, Hawaii had passed through one of those unaccountable periods when prostitution of public trust becomes epidemic. The loss of revenue by defalcations was not to be compared with the harm done in other ways.

"This situation had arisen largely from the fact that the Senate claimed the right to exercise the prerogative given it by our Organic Act and had refused to approve of appointments made by the Executive. This had not been done on the strong grounds of incompetency and inefficiency, but rather that, as the Senate had been given the power of approval, it had a right to exercise its authority. Thus certain appointments were practically forced upon the Executive, and it was only natural to presume that the responsibility for them had been assumed by the Senate. But when the outrageous inroads on the public treasury and the robberies that had been committed were brought home to some of those whom the Senate had most vigorously supported, public indignation was aroused and the community at first intimated that it held the Executive responsible for the appointments. After the first impulse had subsided, the public realized the part that the power of approval had played.

"Responsibility and power are co-existent; without the one the other can not be, and this experience should teach the community that the true position of the Senate is not that it shares the responsibility or power of appointment, but rather that it has in its hands a check or balance on the abuse of the appointive power, and it should not attempt to share in the responsibility for appointments, but only exercise its power as a preventative of personal favoritism and inefficiency.

"However, the power simply to appoint is not sufficient for the proper administration of the affairs of any community. A public servant's usefulness often ceases without actual violation of the law, and I maintain that



EX-GOVERNOR GEORGE R. CARTER.

it is a mistake in our machinery of government to hold an executive responsible for the efficiency and honesty of officials and at the same time deprive him of the power of removal, or force him to share this with a body which is not constantly in a position to act, and ordinarily is in existence only once in every two years. True, experience shows the necessity for a check on both the power of appointment and removal. But our form of government permits the machinery of appointment to move between sessions of the senate, but not that of removal. This condition places your executive in an awkward position and no satisfactory solution has yet been found. The sober second thought of this community will, I believe, justify and sustain an executive who assumes the power of removal between sessions of the Senate, just so long as that power is not abused, for you can not have a high standard of official service without it.

"Second: Relations Between Counties and Territory.—Our first attempt to establish a more localized form of government and give to each community scattered throughout the group a larger voice in the management of common affairs resulted in a failure, for we had no precedent by which to be guided in our attempt to carve out of the existing government another form of common control, and probably no other American community has ever attempted so difficult a task. That we have succeeded to a degree in this matter is an evidence of the capacity of our community to govern itself. But the seeming success of county government has been largely due to the fact that we have as yet avoided the most intricate question which it involves, and that is the settlement of the value of property owned by the one entity and at present loaned to the other. I mention this matter for the reason that it is a question which must be faced and settled.

"Our community is altogether too prone to accuse public officials of ulterior motives and a desire to block and hamper such a movement whenever any question is raised. How would this community judge officials of a corporation who had property entrusted to their care and who deliberately alienated that property to another corporation without compensation, in utter disregard of the liabilities of either corporation, on the ground that the stockholders of each were identical? There being no precedent for these matters, the only conservative and proper course is to have them adjudicated before that tribunal which we have erected for the settlement of just such differences, and he who undertakes this should not be condemned with the statement that 'he was always against county government.'

"Third: Race Prejudice.—The public utterances of a distinguished visitor have shown with how little friction the many races which go to make up our

population live together, and in reference to this question I might say that much of the pleasant harmony which exists is due to the restraint and forbearance that each race has shown. Permit me to pay a tribute here today to the Hawaiians, who bear so large a share of the responsibilities of our affairs. The great retrenchment in our expenses which we have lately brought about and which resulted in the rehabilitation of our finances, was due to the foresightedness and intelligence displayed by the members of the special session of the Legislature of 1904. And I can say, without any sense of invidious comparison, that I have never had my confidence in the Hawaiians betrayed; whenever I have turned to them and depended upon them for support, they have not failed to respond. And I hope they will take the statement I am about to make in the spirit in which I make it, that an executive who, out of sympathy and appreciation for them, appoints to high office one of their race who is in no way qualified by past experience to assume such responsibilities does them an injustice. We must not expect them to develop strength of character and capacity too rapidly, and they should not be burdened with responsibilities beyond their capacity.

The retiring Governor proceeded to address each of his heads of departments in complimentary terms, in succession, closing very feelingly with the following tribute to Secretary Atkinson: "And Mr. Atkinson, to your active mind is due the origin of not only some of the most important policies of my administration, but in one case at least you have the distinction of developing a plan which has been adopted by the Federal Government and is now national. Your popularity with all classes and nationalities—rich and poor, young and old, has been the strongest bond between much of this community and the administration. But it is not due to these qualities alone that your record deserves commendation, but rather to your strong development of that quality which all history shows to be the one most admired by man—a capacity for true friendship, and I desire that my last official act shall be a tribute to your loyalty to me under most trying circumstances. Had your strength of character been less, the bonds of our boyhood friendship would long since have been dissolved. But no matter how strained, no matter what calumnies, no matter what sacrifices it has required of you, your loyalty has never wavered, and let the future bring what it may, this must ever be a pleasant memory and a source of gratification to us both.

"And now as we make way for others, I can best express your thoughts and mine by this, that we hope those who succeed us will accomplish more for the land we love and will develop a capacity for devotion to public service deeper and stronger than ours, so that Hawaii will ever find men, honest and faithful, ready to serve her."

## GOVERNOR GIVEN A WELCOME

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newly created Governor and listened to most carefully by the large gathering. The clear-cut expression of views contained in the document, the implied determination of the new official to advance Hawaii along American lines, the clear, level tones of the speaker, as well as the literary excellence of the address, were appreciated and the applause which greeted the first public utterance of the new Governor was even greater than had been given to the last public utterance of Governor Carter.

As soon as the echoes of this applause had died down the salute to the new Governor was fired from two guns placed in the grounds before the Capitol, the seventeen shots booming out with five second intervals.

### THE RECEPTION.

Immediately after the firing of the salute the retiring Governor was the first to grasp the hand of his successor in congratulation. Then a receiving line was formed, in which were Governor Frear, Mrs. Frear, Secretary and Mrs. Mott-Smith, Chief Justice Hartwell, Miss Hartwell, Associate Justice and Mrs. Wilder and Associate Justice Ballou, and hundreds of those present took advantage of the opportunity to present their compliments

and congratulations to the new officials and their ladies.

### THOSE PRESENT.

Among the many present at the inauguration ceremonies were Mrs. Walter F. Frear and daughter, Mrs. Geo. R. Carter and 3 children, Hon. Nicholas Longworth, Mrs. Longworth, Mrs. E. A. Mott-Smith, Mrs. A. T. Atkinson, Hon. S. B. Dole, Hon. E. F. Bishop, Mrs. E. F. Bishop, Miss Juliette Hartwell, Mrs. Justice Wilder, Mrs. Justice Ballou, Hon. J. T. De Bolt, Mrs. De Bolt, Hon. W. J. Robinson, Mrs. Robinson, Hon. Alexander Lindsay, Hon. P. L. Weaver, Mrs. Weaver, Admiral Very and staff, Major Dunning and staff, Colonel Jones, Lieutenant Colonel Cooper, Lieutenant Colonel Short, Colonel Johnson, Captain Merle Johnson, Lieutenant Thompson, Lieutenant Smithies, Captain O. C. Otwell, R. W. Breckons, Mrs. Breckons, E. R. Stackable, J. G. Pratt, Mrs. Pratt, Dr. L. E. Cofer, R. C. Brown, Mrs. Brown, E. R. Hendry, Hon. H. E. Cooper, Mrs. Cooper, Hon. F. M. Hatch, Mrs. Hatch, Hon. W. O. Smith, Mrs. Smith, department heads and their ladies, consular corps and their ladies.

### MANY WAIT OUTSIDE.

In addition to the large number gathered within the Capitol for the occasion hundreds were gathered in the Capitol grounds, listening to the music of the Hawaiian band and afterward thronging the lanai, where the new officials gathered after the formal ceremonies and greeted them: Immediately after the reception Governor and Mrs. Frear and the others of the receiving line posed on the Capitol steps for a series of photographs, the Governor accepting the fact that he is now more than ever a public servant by doing whatever was requested of him.

### BAND PROGRAM.

Following is the band program played at the inauguration of Governor Frear, which was selected for Captain Berger by Mrs. Frear, the Governor's wife:

March—"Governor Frear"....Berger  
Entrance of the Guests—"Tannhauser".....Wagner  
"Springtime Song".....Mendelssohn  
Bridal Chorus and Finale—"Lohengrin".....Wagner  
Intermezzo—"Cavalleria Rusticana".....Mascagni  
Lullaby and Duet—"Il Trovatore".....Verdi  
Serenade—"Love in Idleness".....Macbeth  
Cortege—"Hawaii Nei".....Berger  
March—"Our Jack".....Berger  
"Aloha Oe".....Berger  
"Hawaii Ponoi".....Berger  
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## NEW OFFICIALS GET BUSY AT ONCE

Governor Frear and Secretary Mott-Smith took possession of their new official quarters in the Capitol yesterday afternoon, the Governor moving his private belongings into the Robin's Egg-Blue Chamber and the Secretary being instructed in the use of the various push-buttons on the top of the desk so long used by Secretary Atkinson in the outer chamber. Nothing much in the way of official business was transacted, both officials moving around and getting into touch with the labor-saving devices installed. During the afternoon the Governor visited the Judiciary building and bade farewell to the various court clerks and the others about the halls of justice.

The first official business of the Governor was to appoint Charles R. Hemmenway as Attorney General. He next directed that letters be addressed to the other heads of departments, informing them officially that their jobs were safe for the time being. The resignations of the various heads have been coming in to him for the past few weeks, the first one received being that of L. E. Pinkham, bearing date of June 27, last. The others were dated as follows: W. E. Wall, June 29; J. H. Fisher and H. C. Meyers, July 3; A. J. Campbell, August 13, and C. S. Holloway, Wm. Henry and Jas. W. Pratt, August 15, yesterday.

The Secretary's first work toward earning his three hundred a month was to issue the By Authority notices published yesterday, one announcing that Walter F. Frear was Governor and the other that a new Attorney General had been chosen and had qualified.

During the afternoon but one caller came to pay his respects to the new Governor, that being Sheriff Curtis Laukae.

Shortly after four o'clock a cabled announcement of the formal taking of office of Governor Frear was despatched to the Secretary of the Interior, at Washington.

George Payne, the English dandy, was always unruffled and pleasing in conversation. "Are you not coming to church, Mr. Payne?" was on one occasion the stern interrogation of his hostess, a very great lady, who descended upon him in all the severity of her Sabbath panoply. "No, duchess, I am not," he replied, making swiftly for the door, but, pausing, as by a polite afterthought, previous to his exit, he exclaimed, with magnificent emphasis, "not that I see any harm in it."

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